

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 3-4 were cancelled.
2. Claims 1,2,5-18 were examined and allowed.

Examiner's Amendment

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael Britton (Reg. # 47,260), on, 4/5/11.

- Claim 1, line 13, -- the process state -- , was changed to -- a process state -- .
- Claim 9, line 3, before -- system -- , -- process control -- was added.
- Claim 17, line 3, before -- system -- , -- process control -- was added.
- Claim 18, line 6, -- the process state -- , was changed to -- a process state -- .

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mr. Tom Stevens whose telephone number is 571-272-3715.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, please contact examiner's supervisor Mr. Albert Decady (571-272-3819). The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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